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Reference: FCC Docket Nos 96-45, 98-171, 90-571, 92-237, 99-200, 95-116, 98-170  
and NSD File No. L-00-72.

Dear FCC:

I am writing to complain about the proposed changes to the Universal Service Fund and requesting that the FCC investigate this matter further before changing the current policy. Your proposed \$1.00 per month charge for all wireless phones will directly impact my ability to retain my wireless service.

I do not think it is fair to charge EVERYBODY \$1.00 dollar regardless of how they use their wireless phone, especially for a low-volume user that relies on wireless service for safety and security, not interstate calls. The current policy is fair, based on interstate usage, and should be left alone. Please do not penalize us. Keep this fair.

I use my wireless phone only to call my husband when I get to work and when I leave to come home. I live 30 miles from my primary place of work. I got my wireless phone after my truck died on a back country road in the middle of the winter. I didn't know what to do. It was the middle of the night. It was cold and the wind and snow were blowing. Fortunately, just as I was starting to really panic, one of my co-workers happened to go past and realized it was me and that I needed help. After that my husband insisted that I get a wireless phone. My credit isn't all that good. Prepaid service is the only way I can have the safety and security I need. My family and I are on a tight budget. An increase in what I pay would force me to give up my wireless phone. Please reconsider what you are proposing. I am sure that there are many others who are in the same situation I am in.

Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter. Please provide a written response indicating the status/resolution of this matter.

Very truly yours,

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